# SITES PROGRAM

(Supporting Industrial Transformation & Economic Success)

Oklahoma must proactively address statewide site infrastructure needs to meet the demand of existing businesses and companies in the Commerce and communities' pipeline.

## WHY OKLAHOMA NEEDS TO INVEST IN INFRASTRUCTURE:

Since 2018, the Oklahoma Department of Commerce has seen a 90% increase in economic development projects in the pipeline. When working with clients and communities on these projects, Commerce has identified two bottlenecks to success.

**Bottlenecks to success:** 

Available industrial sites and megasites

Skilled workforce

### WHAT WE KNOW:

#### Commerce 2022:

327 new economic development projects into Commerce

52% rural area wins

#### **Current Landscape:**

- 65,000 jobs are being considered to locate in Oklahoma with current projects in Commerce's pipeline
- Rural industrial sites are limited and/or need significant infrastructure investment to make them viable

## PILLARS OF THE SITES PROGRAM



Distribution and Administration of Allocated ARPA and PREP Funds



Project Selection,
Distribution and
Administration of
Unallocated PREP
Funds



Assist
Communities
in Identifying
Industrial Sites



Construction and Implementation of New Oklahoma Sites Program



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